

MONTGOMERY COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE DRIVER/OPERATOR TRAINING PROGRAM

Practical Application Guide Sheet

Brush Truck- Chain Saw Safety

Driver Performance Competency: The driver candidate shall display proficiency in safe operation of a chainsaw. This will be evaluated through very basic procedures and will not evaluate the ability of the driver candidate to perform sawing skills. These skills must be completed wearing appropriate PPE (helmet, eye protection, hearing protection, leg protection/saw chaps, and long sleeve shirt and pants).

1. Explain the saw crew concept and its benefits.	
2. Place the saw on the ground and simulate adding fuel and bar oil.	
3. State the proper fuel mixture and method for mixing fuel.	-
4. Identify the kickback portion of the bar and explain four methods of reducing kickback.	
5. Carry the saw, bar rearward, at least 10 feet from the fueling site.	
6. Place the saw on the ground. Activate the chain brake. Start the saw.	
7. Carry the saw, bar rearward, to the cutting site as directed by the evaluator.	
7. Demonstrate proper hand grip on the saw and release the chain brake.	
8. Cut object as directed by evaluator.	
9. Allow saw to idle down and activate the chain brake.	
10. Shut off the saw and carry it, bar rearward, to the saw starting site.	
11. Explain the concept of flagging hazard trees.	